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Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the abstract with the following amended abstract:

The present invention provides a light guide plate (200) (500) including a transparent plate (220) having an emitting surface (524) with a plurality of hemispherical embossments (240) (540) formed thereon continuously side-by-side in rows and columns. The transparent plate includes a light emitting surface (224) and also has a bottom surface (226) opposite to the emitting surface, with a plurality of hemispherical embossments (260) formed on the bottom surface. The embossments of the emitting and bottom surfaces all face in a direction away from the transparent plate. Other embodiments are also provided.